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The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, MONDAY, JUNE 3, 1889.

Now that the bad weather has ceased, and we know the worst, we think we may reasonably turn to the Public Works Department and ask them what they are doing. The Surveyor-General may possibly be able to give a satisfactory reply, and show that he and his subordinates are dealing with the obstructions created by the late storm as expeditiously as may

be, but we doubt if such an assertion would be believed. After three working days and nights our roads are still almost as deep in sand and rubble as they were on Thursday at noon; Zealand Street has been filled up, and in a few places artificial banks constructed to divert the streams into narrow courses, but no real hearty "clear the roads at any cost" move has been made; no effort anything like commensurate with the magnitude of the task put forth, and we want to know the reason. In the ordinary run of things we are ready to make many concessions in favor of the new head of our Public Works Department but none in a case like this. Here is our main thoroughfare, choked for some two or three hundred yards with sand in the very centre of the city, over one hundred hours after the storm washed the debris down. A mere handful of old women with little baskets have been picking at it during the daytime, with results as yet almost contemptible. There is no economy in such a course—rather the reverse. A practical man who only arrived on Thursday would see at once that every available laborer must be concentrated on that work. A thousand coolies would have done the work by Friday night, or at any rate by the following evening, and then the less important obstructions could have been attended to. Instead of that a hundred coolies will be kept on for ten days or a fortnight, and business will be hindered so much longer. We know that the coolies have shown a reluctance to work, except at greatly increased rates,—that is one characteristic of the animal—but that was a difficulty easily surmountable. Any Chinese contractor to the Government, would have agreed to do the work in such a time, for so much, perhaps a little more than it will cost under the present system, but the extra-expedition would be worth that. He would have got the coolies, and got real work out of them, and Queen's Road would be once more traversable. The Public Works Department has had a severe strain put upon it, just as many private establishments have, but, unlike them, it has proved unequal to it. No petty economy was looked for, or is now looked for, in dealing with an emergency like this; Mr. Brown had an entirely free hand, so far as we know, but he has not seized his opportunity. This paralysis seems peculiar to the Department. In 1874, at the time of the great typhoon, the streets, the Praya, everywhere, lay for weeks and months in their chaotic state. There was a good deal more excuse then than now—great as has been the late calamity, there is no comparison between it and the catastrophe of fifteen years ago. We have not yet sounded the depth of Mr. Brown's skill, but we may mention that what the public require is not merely a man who knows all about "angles of repose" so much as a man who can figure out in twenty minutes just what is called for by the exigencies of the time.

The announcement in Saturday's *Gazette*, that the Surveyor-General has been appointed President of the Sanitary Board, vice the Colonial Surgeon, will not surprise anybody, simply because nobody cares who is President of such a body—even our old friend the King of Siam. It cannot matter, in fact, for the Board never amounted to anything, anyhow. It is composed of a body of representatives of the Government, who always attend, seldom initiate anything, and never, on principle, help any one else to do so, by giving information. There are half a dozen public men on it, who take turns at attending, and are always either there, tremendously eloquent, or else never turn up for months. Its powers are of such a shadowy kind that when an official member gets up and tells his colleagues that he doesn't know that they have anything to do with such and such a matter none can gainsay him; they do not know who are their officers and who are not—may, they are even so invertebrate they dare not meet on Council days—not even to consider an important question like the Pokfulam water supply. As a reorganized body they set out to frame model Sanitary by-laws, which were the subject of endless tittle, and, after all, were sent back by the Governor, in the same way that a master orders his pupil to re-write an essay, for re-consideration. Their *metier* is simply that of circulating pamphlets on the dry earth system, or thinking a foreign government for a brochure on the varieties of vaccine lymph. The change in the Presidency may improve the Board's value—it is hard to tell. The Colonial Surgeon is no orator, but he is the Colonial Surgeon, and as such ought to be the best man. The Surveyor-General has his hands very full indeed just now—he has by no means covered himself with glory so far, and in our humble opinion the best thing the Board can do is to sit down, dictate a letter asking the Governor to allow them to dissolve, and retire into their more useful, if less public, spheres of labor.

TELEGRAMS.

PARLIAMENTARY.

LONDON, May 31st.
The Naval defence Bill has been read a second time in the House of Lords.
Lord Salisbury in his speech dwelt upon the insecurity of the country and although he did not consider war imminent he urged that where real danger exists we must guard against it.
Lord Zetland has been appointed Lord Lieutenant of Ireland.

THE MONETARY CONFERENCE.

The International Monetary Conference will meet in Paris in the Autumn.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

DURING the absence from the colony of Viscount de Brezaire, Mr. Antoine Vizzavona has been recognised as Acting Consul for France.

THE returns of the number of visitors to the City Hall Museum for the week ending June 2nd, are:—Europeans 83, Chinese 702; total, 785.

We note that the P. M. S. S. Co.'s steamer *City of Rio de Janeiro* which is underlined to leave this for San Francisco on the 6th inst. will call at Amoy.

THE appointments of Mr. S. Brown, Surveyor-General, and Major-General Gordon, to be President and Vice-President respectively, of the Sanitary Board, are gazetted.

We are informed by the agent of the Messageries Maritimes that the Company's steamer *Arna*, with the next French mail, &c., left Saigon at 3 a.m. yesterday for this port.

MESSRS. Adamson, Bell & Co., agents for the Canadian-Pacific Line, inform us that the steamer *Hagelia* left Vancouver on Friday afternoon, the 31st ult., for this port, via Japan.

A SCAFFOLD erected on the premises in course of erection near the Telegraph Office broke yesterday morning. Four coolies were on it at the time, and all but one managed to hang on. The one fell, and knocked his brains out.

A CHINESEMAN was caught with a box-full of opium last night, whilst coming from the *Galle*. He told Mr. Woodhouse this morning that he bought it here to take over to Friton to smuggle, and that he brought it back because the Customs-house officers there were too smart for him. He is on remand.

THE coolies who are clearing Plantation Road of the debris on it have found an expeditious way of removing it. They roll the stones down the hill, and watch the people in the lower roads jump. It is an exciting sport, but it is also expensive. One of the head coolies was fined \$12 to-day for indulging in it.

THE unlucky individual who was upset on Friday night whilst running 287 balls of opium across the Chinese territory had his cup of misfortune filled this morning when Mr. Woodhouse fined him \$500, and ordered the opium to be handed over to the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, with a view to reminding that individual that he is paid for looking after opium.

A COOLIE came off the *Pacific* last night with a placid look on his face, and 25 tael of opium in a blanket under his arm. He met an excise officer, and now the smile has faded, the opium is confiscated, and the owner of both articles is in gaol, owing to the little delicacy he felt about complying with Mr. Woodhouse's request that he should contribute \$150 towards the flood fund.

A GOOD-LOOKING young private in the Royal Artillery, named Outing, was before Mr. Pollock this morning on the ridiculous charge of stealing a richika, value \$4. Yesterday at noon some of his comrades "amused" themselves by pulling each other along. Praya East in an old richika, and a Sikh arrested Outing as one of them. As the other men came up and exonerated him he was discharged.

A SHOEMAKER at Cheshire, England, recently took to himself a wife, marrying a widow who had the trifling number of sixteen children dependent upon her. About a week after the wedding the follower of St. Crispin initiated the example of Judas—that is to say, he went out and hanged himself. A "Crown's" jury sat on the poor fellow's body and the testimony disclosed the facts already related. The twelve men true agreed upon a verdict immediately to the effect that the shoemaker had committed suicide from insanity, a conclusion in which all the town concurred.

THE Weekly Spoon Competition of the Hongkong Rifle Association, Second Spoon at 500 yards, was shot for on Saturday the 1st June, and won by Mr. Howell with a score of 43 points. A shifty wind from six to nine o'clock caused the shooting to be rather erratic. The following are the scores:

Mr. F. Howell	43
Mr. L. Woods	37
Mr. J. C. R. A.	37
Mr. L. B. A.	37
Mr. C. P. A.	34
Mr. F. W. A.	34
Mr. E. B. A.	34
Mr. M. S. A.	34
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THE following Tea Settlements were effected at Hankow on 22nd and 23rd May:

	English	Russian	Total.
Kiukiang Teas	12,000	2,000	14,000
Hankow "	10,000	21,000	31,000
	22,000	23,000	45,000

Quotations are:—

Kiukiang Teas Tls. 22 1/2 to 37 1/2

Fairly reliable Chinamen estimate the first crop this year at 700,000 c-hests, as against 800,000 in 1888. Settlements to date are about equal to last year's; arrivals are considerably in excess. Stock is heavy, but the greater portion is coarse, tarry, and rain-damaged. The figures are:—

Hankow Teas	231,000 c-hests
Arrivals	187,000 "
Stock	94,000 c-hests

A New York journal coolly winds up its description of the marriage of a leading politician with the remark that "After counting up the presents, nothing was stolen." Among the guests was the American Cardinal. This puts me in mind of a story that went the rounds of the Clubs some time ago. Whilst the Athenaeum Club was under repairs the members enjoyed the shelter of the United Service over the way. One day a General missed his umbrella, which led to an explosion on his part, and which threw him down with his saying: "If all comes of having those 4-4 Bishops over here!"

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO STEAMBOAT CO.

An extraordinary general meeting of the shareholders of this Company was held at noon, to-day, for the purpose of confirming five resolutions passed at a meeting held a fortnight ago.

The Hon. P. Ryrie presided, and there were present—Messrs E. R. Bellios, F. Gomes, Poon Pong, (directors) A. S. Cohen, F. Henderson, R. B. Rustonjee, T. Arnold (secretary) and a number of Chinese.

The Secretary having read the notice convening the meeting.

The Chairman proposed the confirmation of the first resolution—"That the Capital of the Company be increased to the sum of \$1,500,000 by the issue of 40,000 New Shares of \$20 each, which shall be fully paid up as hereinafter provided and that the Board be authorised to issue such New Shares at a premium of \$15 per Share, such premium to be paid as hereinafter provided."

Mr. Roza seconded, and it was confirmed accordingly.

Mr. Bellios moved the confirmation of the second resolution—"That the said New Shares be offered to the Persons who, on the 7th day of June, 1889, shall be registered Shareholders of the existing Shares, in the proportion of one New Share for every existing Share, and such offer shall be made by a notice specifying the number of New Shares which each such registered Shareholder shall be entitled to take up, and limiting a time within which the offer, if not accepted in writing and accompanied by the full amount of \$20 per Share, will be deemed to be not accepted, and all non-accepted Shares shall be disposed of in such a manner, at such times, and on such conditions as the Board may determine."

A premium of \$15 for every such accepted Share shall be paid on the 1st July, 1889, and, if not then so paid, shall carry interest at the rate of 3 per cent per Annum until fully paid."

Mr. S. Cohen seconded. Confirmed.

Mr. Roza moved the third, which was as follows:—"That all premises on the said New Shares be carried to the Depreciation and Insurance Fund mentioned in Article No. 122 of the Company's Articles of Association."

Mr. Henderson seconded. Confirmed.

Mr. A. S. Cohen moved the fourth:—"That Article No. 90 of the Company's Articles of Association be altered by inserting therein in lieu of the words 'Five Hundred Shares' the words 'Fifty Thousand Shares.'"

Mr. A. S. Cohen seconded. Confirmed.

Mr. Rustonjee moved the fifth:—"That Article No. 14 of the Company's Articles of Association be altered by inserting therein in lieu of the words 'Four Hundred Thousand Dollars' the words 'One Million Five Hundred Thousand Dollars,' and in lieu of the words 'Three Hundred Thousand Dollars' the words 'Five Hundred Thousand Dollars.'"

Mr. Carvalho seconded. Confirmed.

That concluded the business.

THE MUD-MUDDLE.

There is nothing new to tell about the storm, simply because things are just where they were on Friday. At the present rate of progress the streets will resume their normal condition sometime next year, D.V., and weather permitting. The breach in the T'ianm conduit is being attended to, and it is promised that the supply shall be available by Thursday morning, at latest.

Telegraphic communication with Kowloon has been resumed, a temporary connection having kindly been made by Mr. Judd, pending the digging out of the Government wire from the office at Lumpham, which is buried in a landslide.

With respect to any other work we are unable to say anything. The Surveyor-General went to inspect the damage at the Peak to-day, and his subordinate, Mr. Cooper, intimated in none too courteous terms to our representative, who went to make very proper inquiries, that he would not give the slightest information to the public. As all the public have to do with him is to pay him his various salaries, this is exactly the right attitude for an employee to take, of course.

Queen's Road is still "up to the eyes" in dirt. Pedder Street is a big ditch, Wyndham Street, at the top and bottom, almost impassable (that plank is still "not there" at the top) and the whole centre of the city is now simply festering in the sun. The Surveyor-General may have devised the best kind of plans, but they are inexecutable, and since his officials refuse to let them be known they must be criticised, and that strongly. We are anxious to give them every chance of covering themselves with credit, but if they do not begin to do so soon we shall tell them public opinion in very candid terms.

CORRESPONDENCE.

(We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents in this column.)

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH."

SIR,—If the Surveyor-General is responsible for the disgraceful state of Queen's Road Central, I think it about time he had a holiday. For four days the road has been completely blocked from the Chartered Bank to Messrs. Powell & Co., and still there appears to be no signs of any efforts to clear the refuse away.

True, a few coolies have been playing at scavenging, carrying sand and making mud pies. But I think it is high time that His Excellency the Governor was made aware that Queen's Road Central is neither a Chinese Recreation Ground nor a playground, but the principal artery of the city, and that immediate steps should be taken to clear up the streets and make them available for business.

For the publication of the above I shall feel obliged,

Yours truly,

HONGKONG, 3rd June, 1889.

NEWS BY THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The O. & O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Galle*, Capt. W. C. Pearne, with the American mail of the 17th May, arrived here yesterday. We take the subjoined telegrams from our San Francisco exchanges:—

LONDON, May 31st.
The cross-examination of Parnell was continued to-day. Parnell testified that he had often reproved William O'Brien, editor of *United Ireland*, for the violent articles that appeared in that paper. He had not publicly repudiated the articles because he did not consider that the way to effect the alterations he desired in the tone of the *United Ireland* was by the use of his own pen. Parnell said he had never heard of Egan being associated with "The Martyr's Fund" for the benefit of the families of the Phoenix Park murderers. He saw nothing criminal in the fund and rather thought it was right to assist innocent victims. He could not recollect denouncing outrages between 1878 and 1881. He believed the outrages perpetrated to have been the work of small secret societies. The witness was then asked whether, if secret societies adverse to the league had existed, and if the vast majority of the people had belonged to the league, there would not have been some evidence of outrages on the part of the perpetrators of outrages. He persisted in the question, saying that that might or might not have been the case.

Here occurred the most remarkable incident in the witness' cross-examination. Attorney-General Webster quoted a statement made by Parnell in the Commons, during the debate on Forster's bill in 1881 suspending the writ of habeas corpus, to the effect that secret societies had then ceased to exist in Ireland.

"Did you believe that when you said it?" asked the Attorney-General.

"No," replied Parnell; "at any rate it was grossly exaggerated statement."

There was a buzz of surprise throughout the courtroom at this response.

"Did you or did you not," continued the Attorney-General, "intend to misstate the fact when you made that statement?"

"I have no doubt that I did," was the reply.

The Attorney-General—Deliberately? Parnell—Yes, deliberately.

The Attorney-General—You deliberately made a statement known to be untrue?

Parnell—Yes, or if not untrue, very extravagant and boastful.

The Attorney-General—You have never since withdrawn it?

Parnell—No, I have not.

The nonchalance with which the witness made these admissions astonished the audience and elicited hisses.

"Probably," added Parnell, "the statement was made to mislead the House. I am afraid that it did not, for the bill was passed. My purpose was to exaggerate the effect the league had in reducing the number of secret societies. The league had undoubtedly diminished the number of secret societies, though it had not swept them away, as I stated."

Parnell was next asked what became of the Land League books. He explained that some were brought to London and were before the commission. The cash-books and ledgers have disappeared, he did not know where, either they were taken by some other of the league officials able to tell what had become of them. The letter books and files of letters had also vanished.

Presiding Justice Hannen here impressed upon the witness the fact that the Court attached great importance to the missing documents, and Parnell promised to try to find them.

WASHINGTON, May 31st.

Irving M. Scott was at the Navy Department to-day and told Secretary Tracy that the *Charleston* would be ready to leave the yard at San Francisco for her trial trip by Tuesday next. It is expected that the trial will prove successful. A naval engineer, who has examined the Japanese man-of-war after which the *Charleston* is modeled was not accepted until after she had been given twenty-one trials, though she is now pronounced one of the best warships afloat; and if the *Charleston* proves successful on the first trial, the result cannot but be of great benefit to the shipbuilders of the Pacific coast.

There is a hint that but for the clause of the act compelling the building of *Charleston* upon the Pacific coast the contract for her construction would have been given to the Cramps of Philadelphia, as Secretary Whitney was decidedly partial to that particular firm, but if all the rumors about the department are true the vessels completed in the City of Brotherly Love have not been done according to contract. The rumors may lead to a Congressional investigation next winter.

The ordnance outfit of the *Charleston* will probably be ready by the time the vessel has been accepted by the Government. The battery and the powder, the latter allowance amounting to about 30,000 pounds, have been already shipped, and the gun carriages will soon be on their way to San Francisco.

Secretary Tracy said to-day that he would tomorrow award the contract under the provisions of the act for coast defenses, and it is certain that the bid of the Union Iron Works of San Francisco will be accepted. The bid of that company was \$1,621,950, and that of Cramp & Sons of Philadelphia \$1,614,000. The latter, however, though much lower than the former, will be refused, for the reason that the Cramps declined to guarantee the 4500 horse-power called for in the specifications. The horse-power is, in part, to be developed by coil boilers, which are as yet an experiment in naval vessels, but the Union Iron Works Company is willing to guarantee all results without modification of the specifications.

NEW YORK, May 31st.

The guns of the cruiser *Chicago* have been tried, and the trial was every way successful and satisfactory. The maximum range reached during the test was about four and one-quarter miles.

WASHINGTON, (D. C.), May 31st.

Blaine appeared at the State Department this morning, showing no traces of his recent illness. The new British Minister, Pauncefoot, presented himself and was introduced to Blaine, who at once conducted him to the White House and presented him to the President. The usual compliment were exchanged.

Sir Julian presented his credentials, and addressing the President gave expression to the feeling of utmost good will and amity on the part of his Government, and particularly toward the United States, and the belief that this country truly reciprocated the feeling, and that he would meet with justice and a spirit of conciliation.

President Harrison replied briefly, reciprocating his sentiments as to the good will and amity expressed by the new Minister, and especially expressing his pleasure that the choice of the Queen for Minister to this country had fallen upon a man so admirably suited to the place as Sir Julian.

NEW YORK, May 31st.

The *Sun's* London cable special says: There is a significant and remarkable change of late in the attitude of Englishmen, and particularly in the English press, toward America. All the London dailies, since the beginning of the inauguration ceremonies in New York, have published leaders commending in the most complimentary fashion on American events. Particular stress is laid on the fact that the Samoan Conference in Berlin is carried on in English, and the conference is looked upon as the debut of the United States in European diplomacy. The change in our favor in other quarters is decided. Last year, about this time, the comedians of the different theatres were unceasing in their satire upon things American, and usually had the sympathies of their audiences with them.

The American flag is waving in a number of London theatres, and it is greeted in a fashion that is rather startling. At the most pretentious ballet that London has ever seen there is a parade of soldiers of different nations, and the audience expresses its sentiments as the flags are brought forward to national airs. The British is first, then comes the German standard, and the American flag is last. The American flag is usually a more or less riotous demonstration against the Russian Imperial standard.

At the tail end of the procession a score of Yankee middlemen bring the American flag down to the footlights. I think everybody was surprised at the reception the flag received on the first night. Prolonged applause turned into cheering, and ever since the Stars and Stripes played the most conspicuous part in the spectacle. In the Gaiety and Avenue theatres the flag is also produced alongside the British colors with an effect that is more striking, since so seldom received in public at home.

PARIS, May 31st.
The celebration at Versailles to-day of the centenary of the French Revolution has been as a spectacle

cally one. The *Neve Sirk* is provisioned for a fifty-days cruise, but she is expected to break the record for sailing craft and make the run to Havre in about twenty days with good westerly winds.

A cable special to the *Mail and Express* from London says: Joki, the famous novelist, delivered a speech yesterday before the Hungarian Academy of Sciences in memory of the late Archduke Rudolph. Joki was a personal friend of the Crown Prince. He quoted a conversation which he had with the Prince shortly before his death in which Rudolph expressed a desire that the inevitable war with Russia should come at once, while Austria had strong allies and a good cause to fight for. He appeared to fear that his father was simply allowing Russia to gain time for preparation. Joki believes that the Prince, committed suicide in a fit of pique at the refusal of Franz Joseph to declare war.

BERLIN, May 27th. Kasser, Phelps and Bates and Lieutenants Buckingham and Parker were this afternoon at 2 o'clock to Prince Bismarck's, and were introduced by Count Herbert.

The Prince was extremely cordial and spoke in English. He said he was glad that the conference was progressing so favorably. He hoped that they would soon bring their labors to a successful close.

The first thing that met the eyes of the commission were large cabinet photographs of Cleveland and Bismarck, both signed. The Prince wore an undress cavalier uniform, and in the garden were two big mastiffs, one the gift of the Emperor.

The Prince, explaining to the commissioners how it happened that they never met him in the street, said, playfully, that he knew so many people in Berlin that he would have to walk down the Linden barched, as he never went out. The visit lasted half an hour.

The *Vossische Zeitung* says: The American commissioners to the Samoan conference have been instructed by their government to demand the neutrality of the islands, the administration of Samoan affairs by Samoans, and to urge the claim of the United States to the right to establish the coaling station at Pago Pago. The demands of the United States, however, are not intended to prevent other powers from exercising influence in accordance with their interests.

At the Samoan Conference the details of the coming changes in Samoa are being debated at length, but no differences as to principle now exist. All the delegates desire the neutrality of the islands. The Americans have achieved marked success and have impressed Bismarck with their firmness and diplomacy.

LONDON, May 27th. Parnell to-day corrected his testimony of Friday, in which he admitted that he had misled the House of Commons in regard to conspiracies in Ireland. By reference to a verbatim report of the debate he found that he had said that the Ribbonism had ceased, which was substantially correct.

Parnell said he had not heard of 100 guineas being paid for the defense of moonlighters at the Cork Assizes in 1881. If he had been asked to authorize such payments he should in those days have approved of them, if he had reason to believe the law was being strained against a man, but his general rule was to limit such payments as much as possible. Parnell said he sometimes paid money from his own private account in behalf of the league. He did not object to an inspection of his accounts. Parnell declared that he had never heard that Egan had joined the Clan-na-Gael. He would regret to find that Egan had rejoined the physical force party, but he should not think such a course unnatural. Referring to secret societies Parnell said he considered that a person who joined the league and continued to be a member of the Clan-na-Gael acted to the injury of the league's policy. Any member of the league who would advocate the use of dynamite would be a traitor.

ROME, May 27th. Count Antonelli, leader of the Italian mission to the King of Shoa, telegraphs that in a recent fight between Abyssinians and derivates Ras Alula escaped stories concerning the battle are untrue. The Abyssinians were victorious on the first day. Negus was wounded and while suffering from fever he ordered 2,000 derivates to be beheaded in his presence. On the following day, after proclaiming himself the elect of God, he headed his army and was again wounded in the neck. He fell and the army fled, leaving 30,000 dead.

ZANZIBAR, May 27th. Captain Wissmann, with a force of 200 sailors and 700 blacks, had a severe engagement on Wednesday with the Chief of Bushiri's forces. The battle resulted in a victory for Wissmann, who captured Bushiri's camp. Eighty of Bushiri's men were killed and twenty captured. On the German side forty blacks were killed, and an officer named Schwalbe and other whites were slightly wounded. Bushiri fled.

ST. PETERSBURG, May 27th. It is generally understood in financial circles that Baron Reuter has obtained a concession from the National Bank of Persia for power to issue bank notes for twice the amount of the bank's capital, which notes are to be the legal tender of the country. A concession has also been granted to Baron Reuter to work coal and other mines.

SYDNEY (N. S. W.), May 27th. Dr. Knappe, late German Consul at Samoa, has arrived here. Advice from Samoa to April 30th state that the natives are quiet and the position of the hostilities is unchanged. Admiral Kimberly of the United States Navy, on the suggestion of Mataafa, tried through Dr. Knappe, to persuade Tamassee to agree to a peace. Tamassee declined unless he was recognized as King. Admiral Kimberly thereupon issued a proclamation urging the natives to maintain peace.

The steamer *Reckon*, which will convey 450 of the men belonging to the wrecked American warship at San Francisco, was ready to leave and was expected to sail from Apia May 1st. Eighty men will remain with Admiral Kimberly at Apia.

The *Nipile* has been fitted with a rudder and was about to start for Auckland. Herr Stuebel, the newly appointed German Consul, had arrived at Apia.

The commander of the British cruiser *Rapid* has hoisted the British flag over the Sawarow islands.

BERLIN, May 27th. The sub-committee of the Samoan conference, in the discussion of the government of Samoa to-day showed a wide divergence of views and but little progress was made.

LONDON, May 27th. The *Winner Allgemeine Zeitung* states that the Samoan conference will decide that a foreign adviser to the Samoan King shall be appointed yearly to represent in rotation the countries interested. Difficult and unexpected details are prolonging the Samoan conference. None of the parties has presented a definite scheme.

A dispatch from Zanzibar to the *Times* says that an officer and two seamen belonging to a German warship had been killed by the insurgents at Bagamoyo.

A deputation of students from Paris visited Brunsiger to-day. Speeches were made on behalf of the students, expressing their confidence in the patriotism of the General.

strikers. A large body of the latter gathered and were becoming disorderly, when they were ordered to disperse by the military. No attention being paid to the warning, the soldiers fired. Three miners were killed and several wounded. A sanguinary encounter occurred last night at Bochum. Westphalia, between the military and the striking miners. Two men were killed and many injured.

The fatal encounter at Bochum last night was due to a blunder of the military. A crowd of passengers issuing from a railway station was taken for rioters and fired upon. More troops are arriving.

PARIS, May 27th. A letter to the *Mail and Express* says: Extraordinary preparations have been made for the convenience of journalists who will attend the Paris Exposition. The pavilion of the press is one of the most conspicuous buildings on the grounds. It is a frame structure two stories high, in an open space facing beautiful flower parterres, which extend in front of the Palace of Fine Arts. The building contains a magnificent reception parlor, spacious conference room and an elegant upper hall, from which is obtained a lovely view of the exhibition and environs. The reading-rooms are well supplied with books of reference, and the journalistic fraternity will find the most perfect arrangements for telephoning and telegraphing to all parts of the world.

PEKING.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

May 20th. His Excellency the Japanese Minister Mr. Shida died here on the morning of Saturday, the 11th, deeply regretted. The flies of the various Legations were lowered half-mast as soon as intelligence of the sad event was made known, and continued so for three days. The death of the Minister has been daily expected for several days, the disease of the liver, having assumed a very serious form with grave complications. On the evening of Friday the 10th the Oriental Society postponed its meeting called to hear a paper by the Rev. W. S. Amen on "Marco Polo in Cambodia, a comparison of Foreign and Chinese accounts," owing to the serious illness of the President. On Tuesday, the 14th, the Diplomatic Body met at the Japanese Legation at 2:30 p.m. when funeral orations were delivered by Dr. Martin, Colonel Denby and Mr. Cowman. Dr. Martin spoke in the three-fold capacity of friend, member of the Oriental Society, and the College, whose professors had always met with much kindness and hospitality from the deceased. The late Mr. Mori, a former Japanese Minister here, was referred to and eulogized by President Martin. Col. Denby touchingly referred to the deaths of their Excellencies the Ministers for Japan and Italy and the loss the Corps Diplomatique had thereby sustained. The members of the body were in full uniform and the Legation flags were half-mast for the fourth day. A violet colored piece of silk with a suitable inscription in Chinese in gold letters was sent by the Prince and Ministers of the Tsung-li Yamén, and placed on the coffin. After the delivery of the orations, the coffin was viewed by all present. The Ministers of the Foreign Office paid their visit of condolence in the afternoon of the 16th and minute enquiries were made into the illness under which the Minister had succumbed. The remains of the deceased left the city early on the morning of the 17th, covered with wreaths and escorted by a couple of soldiers kindly sent by the Tsung-li Yamén. From Tungchow two other soldiers, kindly sent by the Taotai of Tungchow will escort the remains to Tientsin. A Japanese mail-of-war is expected at Taku to convey the remains to Japan. Dr. Aoki, who came to attend the Minister, and who arrived only a few days before his death, proceeds to Tientsin where he intends to settle in practice. At that port there is already a considerable Japanese community which will doubtless welcome a native practitioner who has been thoroughly educated in Western medicine. Mr. Imadate, the Secretary of the Legation, has been commissioned to act as *Chargé d'Affaires*. The widow of the deceased, his son, and the Legation interpreter, accompany the body to Japan.

The late Minister was a Buddhist. The speech which he delivered lately at the Oriental Society, afterwards enlarged and printed in your columns (March 18th) may be said to be his profession of faith, and his many friends will therefore cherish this paper as his last literary effort and the exposition of his views on the great Buddhist question.

The Oriental Society is at present printing his valuable contribution to the ancient Chinese paper currency. It is very sad to have lost two Ministers within a month.

The flags of the Legations were most high on the 17th in honour of the birthday of the youthful King of Spain.

Answers from the Viceroy, Governors, and Tartar Generals to whom the railway question was lately submitted have been received and the majority are in favour of railway construction. A long and able document from the Canton Viceroy has been received in which, while opposing the construction of the Tungchow line, he recommends the making of a canal one from Fook-ching, near Canton, to Hankow. This latter is said to have been sanctioned by the Emperor. Some important action in regard to railway construction seems imminent.

Huach Fu-cheng, appointed Judge of Hunan and lately Secretary to H.E. the Viceroy Li, has been appointed Minister to London, Paris, etc. The 24th is to be observed right loyally at the British Legation. Various globe-trotters are here at present; among them are some Japanese merchants who are purchasing largely of porcelain. A shower of changes and promotions in the Customs service has just taken place. Mr. Monroese goes to Foochow as Deputy Commissioner. Messrs. Ferguson and Lindholm go to Ningpo and Amoy respectively. Mr. Bigel the Bandmaster goes to Tientsin. Mr. Costo, also a musician, has arrived here from Tientsin to take charge of the postal department, and the band.

A series of dinners and receptions have lately taken place at the Belgian Legation. Several of our community have gone to Tientsin to attend the races there. Our weather remains still very dusty and not free from wind. We have not yet had any rain. On the 19th a curious red glow surrounded the sun all day and gave a ruddy hue to everything.—*N. C. Daily News*.

Scotch Highlanders have the habit when talking their English of interpersing the personal pronoun "he" when not required, such as "The king he has come." Often in consequence a sentence is rendered extremely ludicrous. A gentleman says he lately listened to the Rev. Mr. —, who began his discourse thus:—"My friends, you will find my text in the first epistle general of Peter, fifth chapter and eighth verse—"The devil he goeth about like a roaring lion seeking whom he may devour." Now, my brethren, for our instruction I have divided my text into four heads. Firstly, we shall endeavour to ascertain who the devil he was? Secondly, we shall enquire into his geographical position, namely where the devil he was going? Thirdly, who the devil he was seeking? And fourthly, and lastly, we shall endeavour to solve a question which has never yet been solved, what the devil he was "roaring about."

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CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

2nd June, 1889.—At 4 p.m.

STATION	Latitude	Longitude	Barometer	Thermometer	Humidity	Wind	Force	Direction	State of Sky	Remarks
Whitewreck	22° 55'	113° 35'	30.55	75	75	W	1	W	W	
Fukien	23° 55'	113° 35'	30.55	75	75	W	1	W	W	
Nagasaki	32° 55'	128° 35'	30.55	75	75	W	1	W	W	
Shanghai	31° 55'	121° 35'	30.55	75	75	W	1	W	W	
Amoy	24° 55'	118° 35'	30.55	75	75	W	1	W	W	
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The barometer is falling in Layan and has risen along the coast of China. Gradients are slight for west winds over the China Sea and for north winds in northern China. Cloudy and damp but not very hot weather prevails.

1.—Barometer reduced to level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths. 2.—Temperature in the shade in degrees, tenths, and hundredths. 3.—Humidity in percentage of saturation, the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100. 4.—Direction of the wind in points. 5.—Force of the wind according to Beaufort scale. 6.—State of the weather. 7.—Time of day. 8.—Detached clouds. 9.—Drizzling rain. 10.—Fog. 11.—Hail. 12.—Lightning. 13.—Overcast. 14.—Falling showers. 15.—Squally. 16.—Rain. 17.—Thunder. 18.—Visibility. 19.—Dew. 20.—Rain in inches tenths and hundredths.

Hongkong Observatory, 3rd June, 1889.

HONGKONG TEMPERATURE.

(From Messrs. Falconer & Co.'s Register.)

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To-day's Advertisements.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

No. 254. THE Public are hereby informed that the Pukulan Water may be readily clarified by adding a small quantity of alum and allowing the water to stand from 8 to 12 hours; the clear water being then drawn off from the sediment which will have formed.

The quantities of alum which should be added to given quantities of water are 40 grains of powdered alum, or as much as can be lifted at twice on a cent piece, to an ordinary bucketful of water; or half an ounce of alum to an ordinary Shanghai bath-tubful of water.

By Command, FREDERICK STEWART, Colonial Secretary. Hongkong, 1st June, 1889. [681]

STEAM TO LONDON, DIRECT, calling at intermediate Ports. THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Extra Steamship

"BRINDISI" will leave for the above places about the middle of the month. This vessel is disconnected from the Mail services but has excellent accommodation for a limited number of through passengers (First Saloon only) at specially reduced rates. Electric Light throughout the steamer deck cabins (two berths). Surgeon carried, &c. E. L. WOODIN, Superintendent. Hongkong, 3rd June, 1889. [682]

STEAM TO SHANGHAI. THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship "COROMANDEL" will leave for the above place about 24 hours after her arrival with the outward English mail. E. L. WOODIN, Superintendent. Hongkong, 3rd June, 1889. [683]

STEAM FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, PORT SAUD, MALTA, GIBRALTAR, MARSEILLES, BRINDISI, TRIESTE, VENICE, PLYMOUTH, AND LONDON; ALSO, BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA AND AUSTRALIA.

N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR BATAVIA, PERMAN GULF PORTS, MARSEILLES, TRIESTE, HAMBURG, NEW YORK AND BOSTON.

SPECIE ONLY LANDED AT PLYMOUTH. THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship "ROHILLA," Captain W. De Horne, with Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for LONDON, VIA BOMBAY AND SUEZ CANAL, on SATURDAY, the 15th June, at Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M. Parcels and Specie (Gold) at the Office until 4 P.M., on the day before sailing.

Silk and Valuables for Europe will be transhipped at Colombo; Tea and General Cargo for London will be conveyed via Bombay arriving one week later than by the ordinary direct route via Colombo.

For further particulars regarding FREIGHT AND PASSAGE apply to the PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Office, Hongkong.

The Contents and Value of Packages are required to be declared prior to shipment. Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Black Bills of Lading.

This Steamer takes Cargo and Passengers for Marseilles. E. L. WOODIN, Superintendent. P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office, Hongkong, 3rd June, 1889. [684]

LADIES RECREATION CLUB. BY kind courtesy of Major VERNER CHATER and OFFICERS, A. & S. Highlanders, the Band will play at the Club Grounds, on WEDNESDAY, the 5th and 19th of June, from 4.30 to 6.30 o'clock, weather permitting. Hongkong, 3rd June, 1889. [685]

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To-day's Advertisements.

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.

FOR KOBE. THE Steamship "DENDIGHSHIRE" will be despatched for the above Port, TO-DAY, the 3rd June.

For Freight or Passage, apply to ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents. Hongkong, 3rd June, 1889. [661]

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED. FOR MANILA, VIA AMOY. THE Company's Steamship

"DIAMANTE" Captain G. Taylor, will be despatched for the above Ports, on WEDNESDAY, the 5th inst., at 5 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to RUSSELL & Co., General Managers. Hongkong, 3rd June, 1889. [662]

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY. NOTICE. CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship "GAELIC"

The above Steamer, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for Countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods from along-side.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense. CHAS. D. HARMAN, Agent. Hongkong, 3rd June, 1889. [663]

MAPPIN AND WEBB. SHEFFIELD AND LONDON, Cutlery and Silversmiths, by special appointment to H. M. the Queen, &c., &c.

BEG to announce that they have forwarded to Hongkong by their Representative, MR. W. S. MARSHALL, A choice and varied selection of CUTLERY, SILVER & ELECTROPLATED WARE, DRESSING CASES, FANCY LEATHER GOODS, &c., &c.

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3, DUDDELL STREET, (Ground Floor). For a few days only, commencing WEDNESDAY, the 5th June, 1889. Prices same as in London. Dollars taken at three shillings. Catalogues free on application. Hongkong, 3rd June, 1889. [664]

NOTICE. DURING my temporary absence in Japan, MR. ALEXANDER LEVY is authorized to sign for the Undersigned and for GEO. R. STEVENS & Co. Hongkong, 3rd June, 1889. [665]

NOTICE. OFFICES in VICTORIA BUILDINGS TO BE LET with immediate possession. Apply to ARTHUR B. RODYK. Hongkong, 3rd June, 1889. [666]

TO LET, from 1st July next. WESTBOURNE VILLAS, North. Water and Gas laid on. Garden & Tennis court. Apply to O. BACHRACH. Hongkong, 3rd June, 1889. [667]

TO be Let. With Possession from the 1st June. A ROOMY HOUSE in CARLTON TERRACE, Queen's Road East. Apply to G. R. LAMBERT. Hongkong, 14th May, 1889. [668]

TO LET. ROOMS in "COLLEGE CHAMBERS." No. 4, SEYMOUR TERRACE, From 1st June. No. 9, SEYMOUR TERRACE. OFFICES on the Praya and Floor, above the Union Insurance Co., and now occupied by the Austro-Hungarian Lloyd S. N. Company from 1st July.

Apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co. Hongkong, 1st June, 1889. [669]

TO LET. WITH IMMEDIATE POSSESSION. NOS. 1, 2 and 4, QUEEN'S GARDENS, Rent 50 each and taxes. Apply to G. C. ANDERSON, 13, Praya Central. Hongkong, 21st May, 1889. [670]

TO LET. FIRST CLASS HOUSES in D'AGUIAR STREET (formerly Club Chambers) suitable for OFFICES. Apply to Messrs. DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.'s Comptroller. Hongkong, 9th May, 1889. [671]

Shipping.

ARRIVALS.

CAMELIOT, British bark, 370, Murphy, 1st June.—Freemantle, W.A., and March, Sandalwood.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

KWANGLEE, Chinese steamer, 1,508, Lancaster, 2nd June.—Shanghai 29th May, General.—C. M. S. N. Co.

SIR Wm. WALLACE, British bark, 968, T. R. Brown, 2nd June.—Singapore 10th May, Timber.—Kwong Mow Tye.

SPINAWAY, British bark, 325, J. Garrick, 2nd June.—Champion Bay 4th April, Sandalwood.—Siemssen & Co.

MAHEL TAVER, British ship, 1,298, C. E. Dusha, 2nd June.—Cardiff 6th December, Coal.—Melchers & Co.

ALEXANDER YEATS, British ship, 1,298, J. W. Dunham, 2nd June.—New York 4th Dec., Petroleum.—Order.

GAELEC, British steamer, 4,205, W. G. Pearne, 2nd June.—San Francisco 11th May, and Yokohama 28th, Mails and General.—O. & S. S. Co.

PATROCULUS, British steamer, 1,386, J. Pulfard, 2nd June.—Liverpool, and Singapore 27th May, General.—Butterfield & Swire.

ALWINK, German steamer, 400, Bendisen, 2nd June, Sugar.—Wieler & Co.

CHINA, German steamer, 1,093, P. Haye, 2nd June.—Saigon 29th May, General.—Wop Kee & Co.

AMOV, German steamer, 814, R. Kohler, 2nd June.—Whampoa 2nd June, General.—Siemssen & Co.

CANTON, British steamer, 1,110, Bremner, 2nd June.—Singapore 1st June, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

LAUGHING WAVE, British brig, 161, Alfred Rickers, and June.—Freemantle, W.A., 1st April, Sandalwood.—Siemssen & Co.

CHOWFA, British steamer, 1,055, F. W. Phillips, 3rd June.—Bangkok 27th May, General.—Yuen Fat Hong.

DIAMANTE, British steamer, 514, G. Taylor, 3rd June.—Manila 31st May, General.—Rustell & Co.

ASHINGTON, German steamer, 809, Zindel, 3rd June.—Kobe 26th May, Coal.—Siemssen & Co.

CASSANDRA, German steamer, 1,097, H. C. Thomson, 3rd June.—Kobe 27th May, General.—Siemssen & Co.

DISRANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

Jacob Christensen, Norwegian str., for Kobe.
Canton, British steamer, for Shanghai.
Fidelis, German steamer, for Swatow.
Asagao, Japanese steamer, for Nagasaki.
Fukutsu Maru, German str., for Yokohama.
Mennun, British steamer, for Port Darwin, &c.
Amov, German steamer, for Shanghai.
Mennun, British steamer, for Sandakan, &c.

DEPARTURES.

June 1, *Triumph*, German steamer, for Cheloo.
June 2, *Agamemnon*, British steamer, for Singapore.
June 2, *Renvenue*, British str., for Nagasaki, &c.
June 2, *Fukutsu Maru*, Japanese steamer, for Kutchinow.
June 2, *Soochow*, British steamer, for Hoihow, &c.
June 2, *Boohing Suey*, Hawaii bark, for Iloilo.
June 2, *Fooksang*, British str., for Whampoa.
June 3, *Deuteros*, German steamer, for Saigon.
June 3, *Thales*, British str., for Swatow, &c.
June 3, *Ningo*, British steamer, for Ningbo, &c.
June 3, *Jacob Christensen*, Norwegian str., for Kobe.
June 3, *Polvhyminia*, German steamer, for Yokohama, &c.
June 3, *Mennun*, British steamer, for Port Darwin, &c.
June 3, *Picciola*, German steamer, for Saigon.
June 3, *Mennun*, British str., for Sandakan, &c.
June 3, *Asagao*, Japanese str., for Nagasaki.

PASSENGERS—ARRIVED.

Per *Kwanglee*, str., from Shanghai.—188 Chinese.
Per *Gaelic*, str., from San Francisco, &c.—Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hansen had maid, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Ede and native servant, Messrs. J. J. Dargie, Len Seath Cho, and 132 Chinese.
Per *Patroclus*, str., from Liverpool, &c.—Messrs. Marshall, Cuthbertson, and 259 Chinese.
Per *China*, str., from Saigon.—118 Chinese.
Per *Diamante*, str., from Manila.—Mr. Hayman, and 31 Chinese.
Per *Chowfa*, str., from Bangkok.—83 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per *Sully*, str., from Hongkong for Singapore, Matane, Corn and servant, Messrs. A. B. and D. B. Chisholm, for Penang.—Mr. G. C. Wray, for Gibraltar.—Mr. Jose Pulido, for London.—Mr. A. Buchanan, for Plymouth.—Ed. Bibby, from Yokohama for London.—Messrs. G. Smith Bosanquet, R. F. Smith, and W. Brook, from Hiogo.—Messrs. J. Wakefield,

A MAIL WILL CLOSE
 For Shanghai.—Per *Amoy*, to-morrow, the 4th
 instant, at 9.30 A.M.
 For Shanghai.—Per *Canton*, to-morrow, the
 4th instant, at 2.30 P.M.
 For Nagasaki, Kobe, and Yokohama.—Per
Ancona, to-morrow, the 4th instant, at 11.30 A.M.
 For Haiphong.—Per *Clara*, to-morrow, the
 4th instant, at 5.00 P.M.
 For Straits Settlements.—Per *Castandra*, on
 Wednesday, the 5th instant, at 9.30 A.M.
 For Swatow, Singapore, and Bangkok.—Per
Devaujong, on Wednesday, the 5th instant, at
 11.30 A.M.
 For Singapore, Batavia, Samarang, and Soera-
 baya.—Per *Camorta*, on Wednesday, the 5th
 instant, at 2.30 P.M.
 For Europe, &c., &c.—Per *Neckar*, on Wed-
 nesday, the 5th instant, at 3.00 P.M.
 For Amoy and Manila.—Per *Diamante*, on
 Wednesday, the 5th instant, at 4.30 P.M.
 For Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama, and Van-
 couver.—Per *Port Fairy*, on Thursday, the 6th
 instant, at 10.30 A.M.
 For Straits and Bombay.—Per *Bisagno*, on
 Thursday, the 6th instant, at 10.30 A.M.
 For Europe, &c., Australia, Madras, Calcutta,
 and Mauritius.—Per *Natal*, on Thursday, the
 6th instant, at 1.30 P.M.
 For Amoy, Yokohama, and San Francisco.—
 Per *Ciudad de Rio de Janeiro*, on Thursday, the
 6th instant, at 0.30 P.M.
 For Amoy and Manila.—Per *Don Juan*, on
 Thursday, the 5th instant, at 1.30 P.M.

STEAMERS.

ANCONA, British steamer, 1,888, W. D. Mudie,
29th May,—Yokohama 31st May, [Mails
and General.—P. & C. S. N. Co.]

ANTWERP, German steamer, 396, T. Eggers, 26th
May,—Pakhoi 22nd May, and Hoihow 24th
General.—Wieler & Co.

BISAGNO, Italian steamer, 1,499, F. Valle, 28th
May,—Bombay 8th May, and Singapore
21st General.—Carlowitz & Co.

CAMORTA, British steamer, 1,354, A. A. Fyfe,
20th May,—Sourabaya, via Singapore, 6th
May, General.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

CHEANG HYE TENG, British steamer, 925, Scott,
24th May,—Singapore 17th May, General.—
Chinese.

CHOYSANG, British steamer, 1,194, Sawyer, 29th
May,—Wuhu 26th May, Rice.—Jardine,
Matheson & Co.

CITY OF RICE, DE JANIRO, American str., 3,584,
Wm. Ward, 31st May,—San Francisco 2nd
May, and Yokohama 25th, Mails and General.
—P. M. S. S. Co.

CLARA, German steamer, 667, Christensen, 1st
June,—Haiphong 29th May, General.—A.
R. Marty.

DEVAWONGSE, British steamer, 1,057, P. H.
Loff, 30th May,—Bangkok 24th May,
General.—Yuen Fat Hong.

DORIS, German steamer, 771, F. Raben, 30th
May,—Quinhon 27th May, General.—
Wieler & Co.

FAME, British steamer, 1,117, A. Stopani.—Hong-
kong and Whampoa Dock Co.

FIDELIO, German steamer, 832, Brorsen, 29th
May,—Hoihow 28th May, General.—Mel-
cher & Co.

FREJ, Danish steamer, 397, C. A. Lund, 27th
May,—Haiphong 24th May, General.—
Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

HAITAN, British steamer, 1,183, T. G. Pocock,
1st June,—Foochow 28th May, Amoy 29th
and Swatow 31st General.—D. Lapraik
& Co.

MONKUT, British steamer, 860, R. Unsworth,
25th May,—Bangkok 17th May, and Hoi-
how 24th, Rice, and General.—Yuen Fat
Hong.

PILOT FISH, British steamer, 161, A. Stopani.—
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.

PORT FAIRY, British steamer, 1,645, J. Clark,
25th May,—Shanghai 24th May, Ballast,
Adamant, Bell & Co.

TSINAN, British steamer, 1,428, W. N. Allison,
17th May.—Whampoa 17th May, General.

15th May.—New York 28th Dec., Kerosene Oil.—Order.

ARON, Norwegian bark, 634, Christensen, 17th May.—Rajong 1st May, Timber.—Chinese.

BENOALÉ, French bark, 544, Scott, 22nd May. Melchers & Co. Singapore 2nd April, Timber.—Melchers & Co.

BESSIE, British brigantine, 228, Shaw, 16th May.—Freemantle, *v/a* Singapore, 18th April, Sandalwood.—Order.

CHITTOOR, British bark, 217, Thos. Gortley 21st May.—Sharks Bay 26th March, Sandalwood.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

DOKOTHEA, German bark, 620, H. Th. Moeller 1st May.—Hamburg 1st Dec., General.—Siemssen & Co.

ERLEKONGH, Chinese bark, 457, Opium Examination tunk, Stonecutters' Island.—Chinese Customs.

GO, V. JORDAN, American schooner, 662, E. V. Lyman, 29th May.—Haiphong 19th May. Ballast.—Order.

GR. ADMIRAL, American ship, 1,497, James 1st May, 20th April, San Francisco 1st March, Flour.—Russell & Co.

HATTIE E. TAPLEY, British bark, 907, J. McConnathy, 20th March.—Sandakan 20th January, 1 timber, 1000 lbs. —
JAMES H. BROWN, British bark, 1576, C. E. McNutt, 2nd April.—Livingstone, N.S.W. 10th March, Coals.—Order.
KALAKAUA, Hawaiian bark, 382, John Duncan, 14th April.—Honolulu 28th February, Old Copper.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
LUZON, American ship, 1,339, J. G. Park, 25th May.—New York 19th Dec., Petroleum.—D. Luptak & Co.
MARTELA, British bark, 852, Cooke, 5th May.—Singapore 4th March, Timber.—Ed. Scheilbark & Co.
PAPA, German bark, 748, C. L. Henne, 19th April.—Hamburg 12th Dec., General.—Carlowitz & Co.
SOUTHERN CROSS, American ship, 1,087, J. A. Bailey, 13th May.—Newcastle, N.S.W. 14th March, Coal—Gas Company.
TYIAN, American ship, 1,282, Allyn, 13th April.—New York 10th Nov., Oil.—Russell & Co.
VELOCITY, British bark, 490, R. Martin, 28th May.—Honolulu 28th March, General.—Pustan & Co.

STEAMERS.	FROM.	DATE DUE.	AGENTS.
Denbighshire	London	June 3rd	Adamson, Bell & Co.
Araatoun Aparc	Calcutta	June 3rd	D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.
Chingwo	Liverpool	June 4th	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
Avia	Marseilles	June 4th	Messageries Maritimes
Gubrie	Port Darwin	June 8th	Russell & Co.
Lombardy	Bombay	June 8th	F. & O. S. N. Co.
Abyssinia	Vancouver	June 13th	Adamson, Bell & Co.
Batavia	Vancouver	June 30th	Adamson, Bell & Co.

DESTINATION.	VESSELS.	AGENTS.	DATE OF LEAVING.
London, &c., via Suez Canal	Rohilla	P. & O. S. N. Co.	June 15th, at noon.
London (direct)	Brindisi	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Quick despatch.
London, via Suez Canal	Stentor	Butterfield & Swire	June 5th.
London, via Suez Canal	Opack	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	About June 10th.
Marseilles, via Saigon, &c.	Natal	Messageries Maritimes	June 6th, at noon.
Bremen, via Ports of Call.	Neckar	Melchers & Co.	June 6th, at 4 p.m.
Genoa, via Bombay, &c.	Bisagno	Carlowitz & Co.	June 6th, at noon.
Havre, Hamburg, &c.	Cassandra	Siemssen & Co.	June 5th, at 10 a.m.
San Francisco, via Ythama	Gaelic	O. & O. S. S. Co.	June 15th, at 1 p.m.
San Francisco, via Ythama	City of Rio de Janeiro	Pacific Mail S. S. Co.	June 6th, at 1 p.m.
Vancouver, B.C., via K. &c.	Port Fairy	Adamson, Bell & Co.	June 6th, at noon.
Port Darwin, &c.	Changsha	Butterfield & Swire	June 15th, at 4 p.m.
New Zealand Ports	Whampona	Butterfield & Swire	June 12th, at 4 p.m.
Sourabaya, via S'pore, &c.	Camorta	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	To-morrow, at 3 p.m.
Yokohama, via Nagasaki, &c.	Ancona	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-morrow, at noon.
Kobe (direct)	Denbighshire	Adamson, Bell & Co.	To-day.
Shanghai, Kobe, &c.	Ava	Messageries Maritimes	About June 5th.
Shanghai, via Amoy	Patrolus	Butterfield & Swire	To-morrow, daylight.
Shanghai	Canton	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	To-morrow, at 3 p.m.
Shanghai	Amoy	Siemssen & Co.	To-morrow, at 10 a.m.
Manila, via Amoy	Madrasdel	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Quick despatch.
Manila, via Amoy	Diamant	Yusen Fat Hong	June 5th, at 5 p.m.
Swatow, S'pore, Bangkok.	Derawongse	Melchers & Co.	June 5th, at noon.
Swatow and Amoy	Fidelio	Yusen Fat Hong	To-morrow, daylight.
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